

# EAGLE CREEK PARK 2018

**Earth Discovery Center (EDC)** 317-327-7148 **Ornithology Center (OC)** 317-327-BIRD (2473) Open Monday-Saturday 9-5, Sunday 1-5

**56th St. Admin. Office** 317-327-7110

Open Monday-Friday 9-5

Programs located at:

Earth Discovery Center
Ornithology Center
Other (location)

\$ pre-registration required

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
INDY PARKS & Recreation	I New Years Day  EDC/OC/Office CLOSED  Park Grounds OPEN	2 <b>L</b>	3 8:30am Volunteer Coffee Talk 9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir-I See Animals Hiding	IIM ARNOSKY I See Animals Hiding	5	6 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
7 9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	8 <b>E E</b>	9 🕊	10 9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir- <i>The Bear Went Over the Mountain</i>	11	12	13 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
14 9am Birdwalk 12pm Film Series 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	EDC/OC/Office Open 12-4 Free Park Admission Today!	16	17 9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir-Box Turtle at Long Pond	18  10:30am Little  Ducklings <sup>\$</sup>	19	20 1:30pm Discovery Class 2-4pm Penguin Awareness Day 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
21 9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	8am Indy Parks Day Camp Registration begins. Go to www.indyparks.org to view camps and to register!		9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir- <i>The Mitten</i>	25	4:30pm Friday Night Hoots <sup>\$</sup>	27 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
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## **Recurring Programs**

#### **Saturdays:**

Nature Discovery Class, 1:30pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Stop by for a fun nature activity! Possible activities include: hikes, pond life, simple crafts, and more! Free with park admission.



Raptor Feeding Time, 2:30pm at

the Ornithology Center. Join a naturalist to watch us feed one or more of our birds of prey. Feeding only takes a few minutes so don't be late! Free with park admission.

#### **Sundays:**

Sunday Morning Birdwalk, 9am-11am at the Ornithology Center. Join a group of new and experienced birders for a brisk morning bird walk! Meets rain or shine. Walk is not geared toward children but they are welcome to attend.



Feeding Time, 1:30-2pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Watch as our educational amphibians, reptiles, and other critters enjoy their lunch!

Free with park admission.

Meet A Raptor, 2:30-3pm at the Ornithology Center. Join a naturalist to discover the world of raptors! You will meet one or more of our special birds of prey and learn about what makes them raptors. Free with park admission.

#### Wednesdays:

Story Time on the Reservoir, 9:30am at the Earth Discovery Center. After reading a nature-themed story, participants will visit stations at their own pace. Stations will vary but may include puppets, coloring pages, artifacts with a naturalist, or additional books. Program best suited for preschool and kindergarten, but early elementary students are welcome to join. Free with park admission.

### **January Programs**

To register for programs go to www.indyparks.org and enter the 5 digit course #. Free programs do not require registration.

Jan 1 (Mon) **New Years Day,** Park Office, Earth Discovery Center, Ornithology Center CLOSED. Park grounds open dawn to dusk.

Jan 3 (Wed) **Volunteer Coffee Talk**, 8:30am at the Earth Discovery Center. Join us the first Wednesday of every month for an environmental presentation. A great chance to meet park volunteers and learn more about volunteer opportunities. Everyone is welcome! Free with park admission.

Jan 14 (Sun) Sunday Film Series, 12-1:30pm at the Ornithology Center. Join us for conservation, conversation and coffee! Each session will include viewing a documentary on bird conservation and on our relationships with birds. Following each film we will engage in a group discussion about the film. Coffee and tea included. Free with park admission.

Jan 15 (Mon) Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Park Office, Earth Discovery Center, and Ornithology Center open 12pm-4pm. Park grounds open dawn to dusk.

Jan 18 (Thurs) Little Ducklings-Artic Animals, 10:30-11:30am at the Ornithology Center. A new topic will be introduced each class through hands-on activities, hikes, stories, and take-home ideas for continuing exploration at home. Sign up for a single class or multiple! Ages 3-5 with adult, \$5/child, #14554.

Jan 20 (Sat) **Penguin Awareness Day,** 2-4pm at the Ornithology Center. Celebrate Penguin Awareness Day with crafts, games, and other penguin activities. Great for the entire family. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Free with park admission.

Jan 22 (Mon) **Summer Camp Registration,** begins at 8am online, 9am at centers. Go to www.indyparks.org or call the center you would like to attend to register your child for summer camp! Many camps fill quickly.

Jan 26 (Fri) **Friday Night Hoots**, 4:30-6pm at the Ornithology Center. See live owls up close and take a night hike to discover the owls of the park! Children under 18 must be accompanied by a registered adult. Bring a flashlight! \$8/person; \$2 discount/person for 3+registrants, call 317-327-2473 to register with discount. All ages, #14532.

## Did you know?

- Many insects prepare for winter by creating their own antifreeze. In the fall, they produce more glycerol, which allows their bodily fluids to drop below freezing without damage.
- Wood Frogs can literally turn themselves into little frogsicles.
   Their heart stops, all muscle and breathing movements cease, and up to 70% of their body freezes. In spring, the frogs thaw out and hop right back into life.
- Tardigrades (or water bears) are known as nature's greatest survivors. They might be small (most are no bigger than 1mm), but these



creatures can survive being frozen to -359°F, boiled, nuked, exposed to extreme pressures, and launched into the vacuum of space (they hitched a ride on the Endeavour in 2011).



Eagle Creek Park Annual Passes, Bark Park Passes, and Foundation Membership Passes are all available! Go online to www.indyparks.org to

purchase. Annual Pass prices: In County \$50; Out of County \$60; Senior \$40, Veteran \$25 (must purchase in person and show veteran ID); Veteran & Senior \$20. Bark Park Passes \$75 first dog, \$37.50 up to 3 additional dogs. Foundation

Membership Pass \$85, go to www.eaglcreekpark.org to purchase your foundation pass.